cnetral financial assistance for the year 1992-93:

		Estimated cost
1.	Pilgrim cottages at Kamakhaya	30
2.	Wayside facility at Kalain	20
3.	Tourist Resort at Bardaloni Bird Sanctuary	15
4.	Water sports at Tezpur/Ramnagar/Nazira/Tinsukia including nang-gliding	20
5.	Sound and light show at Charaideo	30
6.	Support towards publicity and for setting up of a crafts village	10
		125

(c) The Department of Tourism have sanctioned a number of projects/schemes for improvement of tourism in Assam which include the construction of wayside facilities at five locations, setting up of a yatri niwas, upgradation of tourist facilities and support towards adventure equipment, etc.

Aircrafts diverted to Dhaka instead of Calcutta

2707. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a report published in the Indian Express of 5th July, 1992 under the caption "DGCA upset with IA for shielding Pilot";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that on May 19, 1992 the Pilot, Capt. Naik, who took off from Jorhat for Calcutta diverted the aircraft to Dhaka;

(c) if so, under what circumstances the Pilot diverted the aircraft to Dhaka and what are the details in this regard;

(d) the number of passengers on board and under whose instructions the Pilot took such a step risking the aircraft and lives of the passengers;

(e) when did the Government come to know about the incident and what action was taken against the errant Pilot; and

(f) whether Government have held an enquiry into the matter and if so, with what results?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The Commander decided to divert the aircraft to Dhaka due to bad weather enroute and over Calcutta. There were 66 passengers on board.

(e) and (f) The Director General of Civil Aviation was informed of the incident on 20-5-92. Indian Airlines has been directed that the pilot should not exercise the privileges of his Pilot-in-Command rating on Boeing 737 aircraft pending investigation by DGCA.

Fire in Hotel in Central Bombay

2708. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that recently a hotel in Central Bombay caught fire due to a burst gas cylinder resulting in the death of 21 persons; and

(b) if so, what measures are proposed to be taken for safety observance in all